Claims

1. A flame retardant resin composition comprising: (A) 100 parts by weight of a resin component (component a) which substantially comprises a high impact polystyrene having a reduced viscosity η_{sp}/c , of 0.2 to 1.5 dl/g, and (B) 1 to 50 parts by weight of a phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) represented by the following formula (I-2-a):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

wherein the resin composition can achieve retention of a heat distortion temperature under load (M) represented by the following expression of at least 95%.

$$M (%) = (y/x) \times 100$$

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- wherein x represents a heat distortion temperature under load (°C) of an article molded from the resin component (component a) and y represents a heat distortion temperature under load (°C) of an article molded from a resin composition comprising the resin component (component a) and the
- 20 phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2).
 - 2. The resin composition of claim 1, which can achieve at least a flame retardancy level V-2 in an UL94 Standard.
- 3. The resin composition of claim 1, which further contains at least one compound (component c) selected from the group consisting of the following compounds (c-1) to (c-5) in an amount of 1 to 100 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) represented by the general formula (I-2-a).
- (c-1) red phosphorus
 - (c-2) triaryl phosphate represented by the following formula

(c-2)

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$$R^{1}$$
— O — P — O — R^{3} (c-2)

(c-3) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-3)

$$R^{1} - O - P - O - Ar^{1} - O - P - O - R^{4}$$

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(c-4) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-4)

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$$R^{1} - O - P - O - Ar^{1} - X - Ar^{2} - O - P - O - R^{4}$$
 (c-4)

(c-5) compound represented by the following formula (c-5)

wherein in the formulae (c-2) to (c-4), R^1 to R^4 may be the same or different and represent an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to five groups selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkoxy group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkylthio group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms and a group $-Y-Ar^3$ (wherein Y represents -O-, -S- or an alkylene group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, and Ar^3 represents an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms), Ar^1 and Ar^2 , if both are present, may be the same or different and represent an arylene group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to four groups selected

from an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, an aralkyl group having 7 to 20 carbon atoms and a group $-Z-R^5$ (wherein Z represents -O- or -S-, and R^5 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms), X represents a single bond, -O-, -CO-, -S-, $-SO_2-$ or an alkylene group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 5; and two benzene rings in the formula (c-5) each may have one to four substituents selected from the same substituents as those for the aryl groups represented by R^1 to R^4 .

- 4. The resin composition of claim 1, which further contains dicumyl in an amount of 0.01 to 3 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the resin component (component a).
- 5. A flame retardant resin composition comprising: (A) 100 parts by weight of a resin component (component a) which substantially comprises a high impact polystyrene 20 having a reduced viscosity η_{sp}/c , of 0.2 to 1.5 dl/g, (B) 1 to 50 parts by weight of a phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) represented by the following formula (I-2-a):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & \text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2 & \text{CH}_2-\text{O} \\ & \text{CH}_2-\text{P} & \text{CH}_2-\text{O} \\ & \text{CH}_2-\text{O} & \text{CH}_2-\text{O} \\ \end{array}$$

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- (c) 1 to 100 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) of at least one compound (component c) selected from the group consisting of the following compounds (c-1) to (c-5):
- 30 (c-1) red phosphorus (c-2) triaryl phosphate represented by the following formula (c-2)

$$R^{1}$$
— O — P — O — R^{3} (c-2)

5 (c-3) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-3)

$$R^{1} = 0 - P = 0 - Ar^{1} = 0 - P = 0 - R^{4}$$
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$$R^{2} = 0 - R^{4}$$

$$R^{2} = 0 - R^{4}$$

$$R^{3} = 0 - R^{4}$$

$$R^{3} = 0 - R^{4}$$

(c-4) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-4)

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$$R^{1} - O = P - O = Ar^{1} - X - Ar^{2} - O = P - O = R^{4}$$
 (c-4)

(c-5) compound represented by the following formula (c-5)

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wherein in the formulae (c-2) to (c-4), R^1 to R^4 may be the same or different and represent an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to five groups selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkoxy group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkylthic group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms and a group -Y-Ar³ (wherein Y represents -O-, -S- or an alkylene group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, and Ar^3 represents an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms), Ar^1 and Ar^2 , if both are present, may be the same or

different and represent an arylene group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to four groups selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, an aralkyl group having 7 to 20 carbon atoms and a group $-Z-R^5$ (wherein Z represents -O- or -S-, and R^5 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms), X represents a single bond, -O-, -CO-, -S-, $-SO_2-$ or an alkylene group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 5; and two benzene rings in the formula (c-5) each may have one to four substituents selected from the same substituents as those for the aryl groups represented by R^1 to R^4 .

6. A flame retardant resin composition comprising:
15 (A) 100 parts by weight of a resin component (component a) which substantially comprises a high impact polystyrene having a reduced viscosity η_{sp}/c, of 0.2 to 1.5 dl/g, (B) 1 to 50 parts by weight of a phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) represented by the following
20 formula (I-2-a):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

(c) 1 to 100 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the phosphorus-containing compound (component b-2) of at least one compound (component c) selected from the group consisting of the following compounds (c-1) to (c-5): (c-1) red phosphorus (c-2) triaryl phosphate represented by the following formula (c-2)

$$R^{1} - O - P - O - R^{3} \qquad (c-2)$$

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(c-3) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-3)

$$R^{1} - O - P - O - Ar^{1} - O - P - O - R^{4}$$

$$C - 3$$

$$R^{2} - O - R^{4}$$

$$C - 3$$

(c-4) condensed phosphate represented by the following formula (c-4)

(c-5) compound represented by the following formula (c-5)

wherein in the formulae (c-2) to (c-4), R^1 to R^4 may be the 20 same or different and represent an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to five groups selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkoxy group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, an alkylthio group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms and a group -Y-Ar³ (wherein 25 Y represents -O-, -S- or an alkylene group having 1 to 8 carbon atoms, and ${\rm Ar}^3$ represents an aryl group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms), Ar1 and Ar2, if both are present, may be the same or different and represent an arylene group having 6 to 15 carbon atoms which may be substituted by one to four groups selected 30 from an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, an aralkyl group having 7 to 20 carbon atoms and a group $-Z-R^5$ (wherein Z represents -O- or -S-, and R^5 represents an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or an aryl group having 6 to 15

carbon atoms), X represents a single bond, -O-, -CO-, -S-, $-SO_2-$ or an alkylene group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 5; and two benzene rings in the formula (c-5) each may have one to four substituents selected from the same substituents as those for the aryl groups represented by R^1 to R^4 , and

(D) 0.01 to 3 parts by weight based on 100 parts by weight of the resin component (component a) of dicumyl (component d).